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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir/Madam:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed November 30, 2005, rejecting Claim 26 of the above-referenced Application, in which Claims 1, 2, 6, 7, 10-13, and 17-26 are pending (Claims 1, 2, 6, 7, 10-13, and 17-25 having previously been allowed), Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be entered and remarks be considered. In view of these amendments and remarks, Applicants submit that all pending claims are now in condition for allowance and respectfully request such action.